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SUBJECT: MIP PANEL

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1. THE CHAIRMAN OF THE GATT MIP PANEL (JAGMETTI) CALLED US AND EEC AT SHORT NOTICE FOR MEETING TODAY, MARCH 28. THE CHAIRMAN INFORMED US THAT THE PANEL HAD A GREAT NUMBER OF MEETINGS, PARTICULARLY DURING THE WEEK OF MARCH 21. THE PANEL UNFORTUNATELY HAS NOT BEEN ABLE TO REACH AGREEMENT AND A CLEAR-CUT DECISION ON THE COMPLEX SUBJECT UNDER CONSIDERATION PRIOR TO THE DEPARTURE OF TWO PANEL MEMBERS, YOSHIKUNI (JAPAN) AND EGGERT (FINLAND).

2. THE CHAIRMAN INFORMED US THAT SINCE THE PANEL NEEDS SOME FURTHER TIME OF REFLECTION AND SINCE THIS WOULD HAVE TO TAKE PLACE IN THE ABSENCE OF TWO PANEL MEMBERS, AN
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UNPRECEDENTED SITUATION HAS ARISEN. THE PANEL FELT OBLIGED TO INFORM BOTH PARTIES OF THIS STATE OF AFFAIRS, AS WELL AS THE CHAIRMAN OF THE GATT COUNCIL AND THE GATT DIRECTOR GENERAL. THE CHAIRMAN ALSO TOLD US THAT THE THREE REMAINING PANEL MEMBERS, NAMELY JAGMETTI (HIMSELF) (SWITZERLAND), SEGALLA (AUSTRIA) AND BRECKENRIDGE (SRI LANKA)

ARE WILLING TO CONTINUE SERVING ON THE PANEL.

3. WE TOOK NOTE OF THE CHAIRMAN'S COMMUNICATION AND EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR THE GREAT EFFORT UNDERTAKEN BY THE PANEL. AT THE SAME TIME WE EXPRESSED OUR DIS-APPOINTMENT THAT THE PANEL'S WORK WAS NOT BROUGHT TO CONCLUSION AND STATED THAT WE WILL IMMEDIATELY REPORT THESE DEVELOPMENTS TO OUR AUTHORITIES. WE ALSO ASKED THAT THE ORAL COMMUNICATION MADE BY THE CHAIRMAN BE TRANSMITTED TO US IN WRITING. EC, APPEARING PLEASED ABOUT THIS NEW OBSTACLE TO PANEL DELIBERATIONS, THANKED PANEL FOR ITS WORK WITHOUT ANY FURTHER COMMENT. SORENSON

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